

Appn No. 10/773191
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Response to Office Action of August 1, 2006

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's final Office Action of August 1, 2006 the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment to the claims and the below Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claims 1, 19 and 38 are amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of dependent claims 2, 20 and 39, respectively;

dependent claims 2, 20 and 39 are cancelled;

dependent claims 2, 21 and 40 are amended to be directly dependent from claims 1, 19 and 38, respectively; and

dependent claims 4-18, 22-37 and 41-54 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the above amendments do not add new matter to the present application.

Regarding Claim Objections

The Applicant appreciates the renumbering applied to misnumbered claims 51-53. The claim listing of the above-described Amendment has the claims correctly numbered.

Regarding 35 USC 102(b) and 103(a) Rejections

The Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the anticipation and obviousness rejections of the claims over newly cited Silverbrook (US 6,315,200) either taken alone or in combination with one or more of Kubby, Silverbrook '452, Feinn, Chan and Fukuchi, based on the above-described Amendment incorporating the allowable subject matter of claims 2, 20 and 39 into independent claims 1, 19 and 38.

Regarding Allowable Subject Matter

The Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication of the allowability of claims 2, 3, 9, 12, 15, 17, 20, 21, 28, 31, 34, 36, 39, 40, 45, 48, 51 and 53 under the conditions stated in the Office Action.

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It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections and rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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